

# Ruth V. Johnson

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The funeral for Ruth V. Johnson, 74, Groton was held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, June 20 at the Groton Methodist Church.

She died Tuesday, June 16 at the Colonial Manor in Groton after a long illness.

Miss Johnson was born on July 23, 1912 to Elmer and Hannah Johnson. She graduated from Groton High School in 1930 and received her teaching certificate from Northern State Teachers College. She taught rural school until 1943 when she became deputy county superintendent. She served in that job for six years and then became County Superintendent. She held that office for 22 years, the longest in the counties history.

Ruth was a member of the First Methodist Church, Zonta Club, Delta Kappa Gamma, King's Daughters, Retired Teachers of South Dakota and other teacher organizations.

She is survived by one sister, Mrs. Ellen Heitmann, and one brother, Algot E. Johnson, both of Groton and two nieces Margaret Brockman, Boca Raton, Fla., Jean Wetjan, Peachtree City, Ga., and one



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nephew, Robert A. Johnson of Groton and 10 great nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers.

Casketbearers were Jay Johnson, Mark Johnson, Van Johnson, Eugene Abeln, Don Clocksene and Robert Knickrehm. Honorary pallbearers were all her friends. Ushers were Earl Ruden and Jay Swisher. Organist was Alvera Neuman and soloist was Manley Green.